



DePauw Firsts

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“The college is the light and the splendor of the common good.”



1867

Indiana Asbury opens to the first women students.



1870

THE VALIANT FOUR

Kappa Alpha Theta was established at Indiana Asbury, the first Greek-letter sorority for women in the United States.



B. L. H.
IN 1870



A. A. B.
IN 1871



B. T. L.
IN 1870

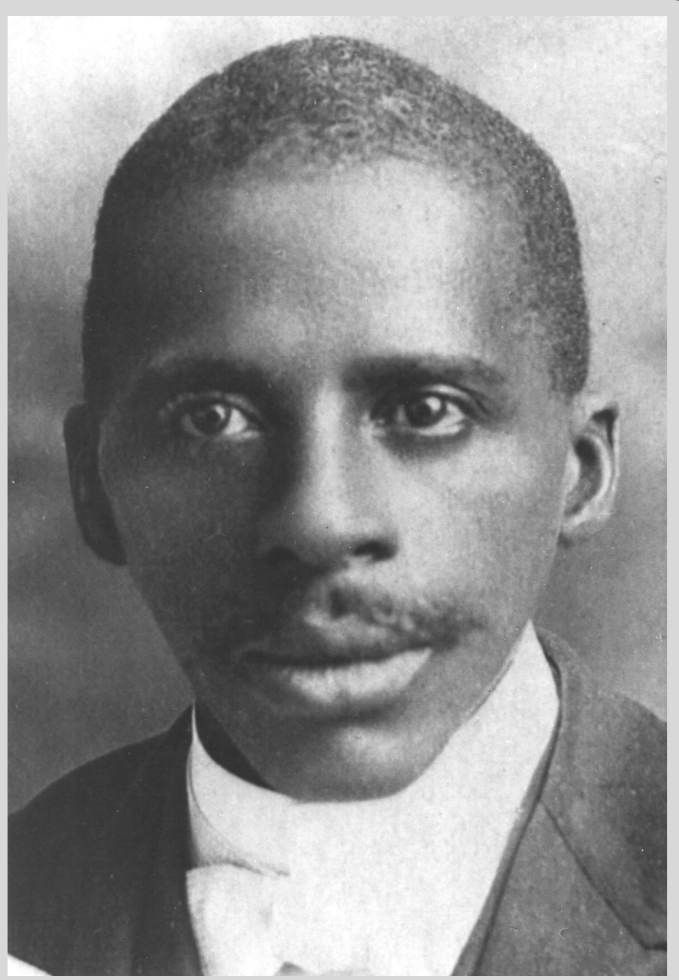


H. F. S.
IN 1870

1877

The first four Japanese students arrived to study at Indiana Asbury.





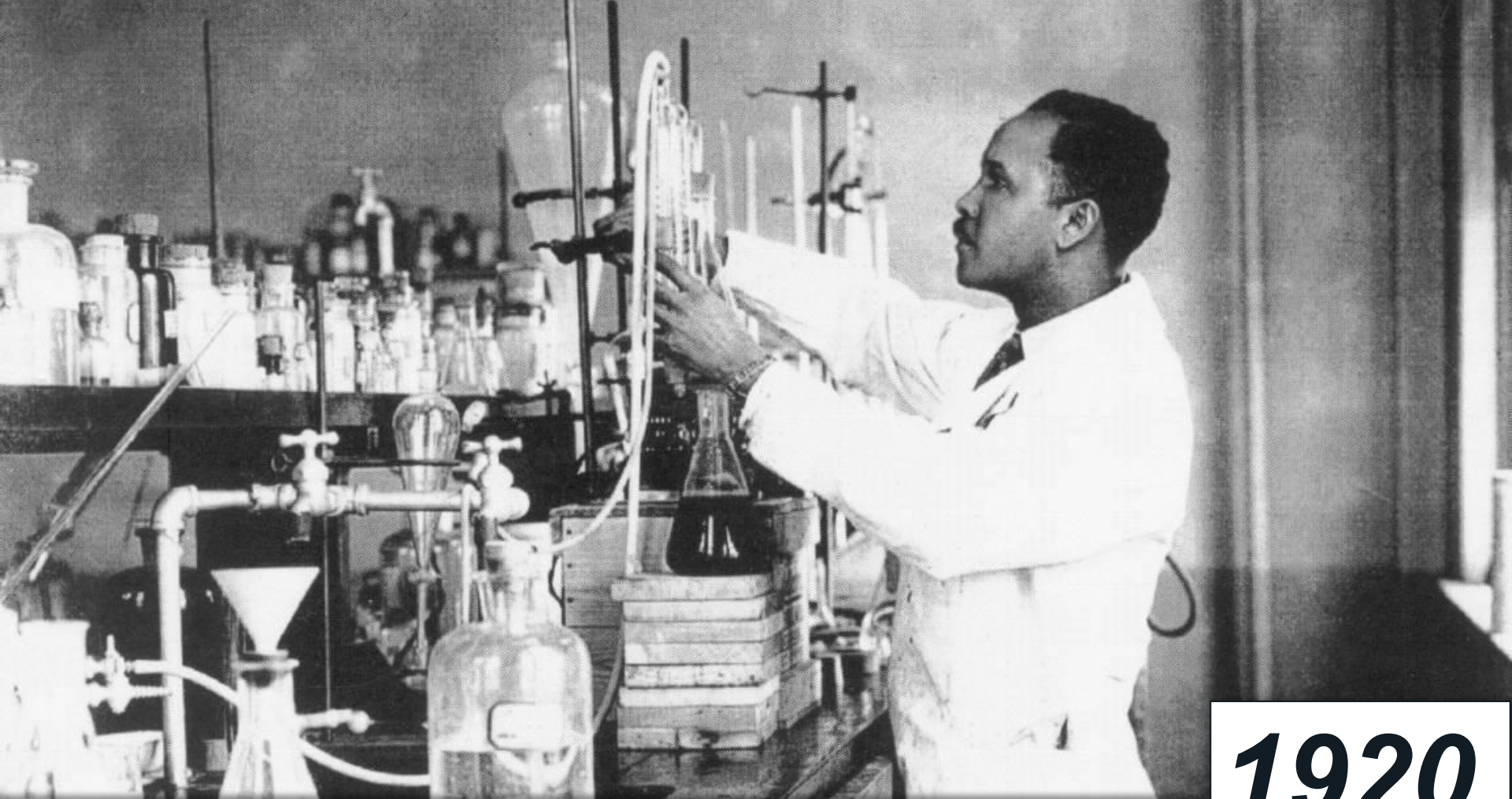
1888

Tucker E. Wilson was the first African American graduate of DePauw.



1890

Wabash College and DePauw football teams met for first contest.



1920

Percy L. Julian was DePauw's first African American valedictorian.



1981

Alan P. Hill was DePauw's first national champion in any sport.



DePauw welcomed its first class of Posse Scholars.



2018

Sami Aziz is the first imam to direct the spiritual life program at DePauw.

2020

GREENCASTLE

Veronica J. Pejril, DePauw director of FITS and a faculty member, is Indiana's first transgender elected official.



CITY HALL

William A. Dory, Jr, Mayor



A woman with brown hair, wearing a black graduation cap with a gold tassel and a black gown with gold trim, is smiling. She is wearing a gold chain. The background is a yellow banner with large, stylized letters. The word 'SIGMA' is visible on the left, and 'R' is visible on the right. The year '2020' is in a white box in the bottom left corner.

2020

Dr. Lori S. White is the first woman and first person of color to serve as president of